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Three injured in explosion

Gas leak. Fort Saskatchewan blast blows walls and windows off house

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Occupational Health and Safety is investigating after an explosion at a Fort Saskatchewan home injured three men and blew windows and walls off a single-family house.

The Fort Saskatchewan Fire Department responded to an explosion at 140 Allard Way in the South Pointe neighbourhood at approximately 1:15 p.m. Thursday.

neighbourhood at approximately 1:15 p.m. Thursday. STARS air ambulance transported one of the injured — a 33-year-old man to the University of Alberta Hospital in critical condition with life-threatening injur-

Preventing catastrophe?

City of Edmonton closing Saskatchewan Drive starting early April for work to ensure bank doesn't slide, causing road failure PAGE 3

Quoted

"He was so badly burnt he was yellow. Everything, his hair, his clothes were blown right the hell off.... I was surprised he walked away from that."

Framer Damien Starret on the disturbing scene following the explosion.

ies, said spokesperson Cam

The condition of the other two men is not known.

Damien Starrett, a framer who works in the area, said the scene after the explosion was disturbing.

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He watched as a stretcher transported one man into an ambulance while a second man with a burnt body walked away from the home.

"He was so badly burnt he was yellow," Starrett said. "Everything, his hair, his clothes were blown right the hell off."

Starrett said the man looked like he was in shock and was covered by a blanket.

"His poor skin and everything was just burnt to a crisp. I was surprised he walked away from that," Starrett said.

Late in the afternoon, Fort Saskatchewan officials said the cause of the explosion was a gas leak in the basement of the home.

The force of the explosion blew out the home's windows, side walls and rear wall and littered the ground with debris.

Six weeks ago, Nicole Hawco moved into a house located two doors down from the explosion. She said she thinks the homes have been built too quickly. "When I seen it (the dam-

"When I seen it (the damaged home), I said, 'You know what, that don't surprise me none,'" Hawco said.

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Quebec minister responsible for language admits watchdog was overzealous when it went after Montreal restaurant for use of Italian on its menu PAGE 15

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Three people were injured after an explosion, caused by a gas leak in the basement, at this Fort Saskatchewan home



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Daughter. **Edmonton** parents charged with murder

An Edmonton couple charged with starving and abusing their young twins are to appear in court Friday on new charges of second-degree murder and criminal negligence causing the death of one of the girls

In addition, they will still face original charges of aggravated assault, criminal negligence causing bodily harm and failing to provide the necessities of life.

Paramedics were called last May to a home where they found the two-year-old girls suffering from injuries and severe malnourishment. Police said they weighed just 13 and

16 pounds.
One of the girls, "M," went into cardiac arrest and spent the next three months in a coma virtually brain dead.

Doctors said she had an irreversible brain injury and would never regain consciousness, but the parents fought to keep her on life support, citing their religious beliefs and their love for the girl.

Court of Queen's Bench Justice June Ross ruled she should be taken off life support.

"There are further medical challenges and further invasive treatments aimed only at continuing a life that holds no benefit for her," Ross said in

her ruling. The Alberta Court of Appeal agreed it was in the girl's best interest to be allowed to

The Supreme Court of Canada refused to interfere with that ruling.

The parents were allowed one last visit with the girl in hospital, meeting individually with her for 20 minutes under police escort. She died Sept. 20.

The surviving twin and an older brother, who had not been injured, are now in foster care. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Saskatchewan Dr. set to close in April

Traffic nightmare.

Work needed to ensure bank doesn't slide and cause road failure, problems

TUMILTY

With the aim of preventing a large catastrophe, the City of Edmonton will close a portion of Saskatchewan Drive starting in early April.

The closure, which still needs council approval, will affect the area between 101 Street and 90th Avenue.

City crews have to close the road to install a retaining wall to prevent the bank underneath the road from tumbling into the river val-

Pal Lach, a city geo-technical engineer, said there is no reason for alarm, but the work still needs to be done. "We have some move-

ment just at the edge of the roadway and the timber walkway," he said.

Lach said what the city is really trying to avoid is a failure of the road, while the Walterdale Bridge project is ongoing.

"It's not at high risk for failure, but because the Walterdale Bridge project is going ahead soon, and there will be road closures, we wanted to get this completed," he said.

Lach said the city has been monitoring the bank for years and has noticed heavy rains in the past few years have weakened it.

In addition to building a retaining wall, the \$1.7-million project will replace the existing timber with a concrete one.

Coun. Ben Henderson, who represents the area, said it's going to be a traf-fic nightmare but he sees no

way around it.
"If the work has to be done it has to be done. Clearly, we can't afford to have it all fall in," he said.

Henderson also agrees it is prudent to fix it now rather than during the construction period for the Walterdale Bridge.

- Traffic. The city estimates 17,000 vehicles a day use the portion of Saskatchewan Drive that will be closed.
- Timeline. The total closure will come into play in April, ending sometime in June, and then the road will be reduced to one lane eastbound until August.

"It is all about just making sure that we don't have everything closed at the same time.



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Headed to Washington. Redford 'optimistic' about pipeline approval

Premier Alison Redford, who is heading to Washington this weekend to lobby for the Keystone XL pipeline, says she remains confident the project will be approved.

"I'm still very optimistic about that," Redford said on Thursday after she met with her caucus at Government House.

"I think everything that we're doing right now is about ensuring that we have a more sustainable and stronger record with respect to environmental management."

The trip comes after recent comments from U.S. President Barack Obama and Secretary of State John Kerry about the importance of all nations combating climate change. Redford said she will discuss not only the need for Keystone, but also the province's environmental track record.

That record includes a \$15-per-tonne levy on carbon for large emitters who do not meet legislated limits. Alberta has also invested \$167 million in 43 clean-energy projects.

"We've always said that that connection between economic



development and the environment is fundamental," Redford

TransCanada's \$7-billion Keystone XL line would take Alberta's heavy oil to refineries on the U.S. Gulf Coast. It still needs the Obama administration's approval because it crosses an international border.

Opponents of the pipeline argue that short-term reliance on so-called "dirty oil" from carbon-intensive operations will do long-term damage to the environment through global warming. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Prediction. Provincial budget cuts bad for city's bottom line: Economist

There are times when being Alberta's capital has its downside, and the coming provincial budget could be one of them, Edmonton's chief economist says.

John Rose says the ripples from the provincial budget are going to spread across the city.

"With a wage freeze in place and the threat of job losses to come, there aren't a lot of provincial public servants who are going to go out and buy a new house or new car," he said.

Rose had forecast that the city's economy would grow by

about four per cent in 2013, but he said big layoffs in the provincial government will hurt that projection.

"I wouldn't suggest that this is going to lead to a really significant downturn, but those actions will shave some growth off of the city's economic outlook."

Rose estimates that some 15 to 20 per cent of the local population has a paycheque connected to the provincial government, whether they work directly for the province or at a university or hospital.

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Nearly 14 years ago, after collapsing at school, Kristen Henry was rushed to hospital and underwent neurosurgery to remove a tumour the size of an egg from her frontal lobe

While she was recovering, she experienced severe

Miles ahead

"This is the most advanced suite in Canada."

Dr. Keith Aronyk

headaches that doctors attributed to a small piece of the tumour remaining in her frontal lobe.

In January, doctors operated on Henry in a new neurosurgical suite at the University of Alberta Hospital.

Today, the 29-year-old is headache-free and says she feels like a million bucks.

Henry was one of the first patients to be operated on in the Dan and Bunny Widney Intraoperative Magnetic Resonance Imaging Surgical Suite, which opened in January.

The room, which looks like something straight out of the future, provides doctors with state-of-the-art equipment.

Specialized equipment lets surgeons confirm they have completely removed a brain tumour during an operation, thus preventing the need for

follow-up surgeries such as the one Henry had years after her first surgery in 1999.

her first surgery in 1999.
"If they had this 14 years ago, I would only have had to have the one surgery, because they would have gotten all the tumour that time," she

The \$10.7-million suite was funded by the Government of Alberta, the University Hospital Foundation and the Stollery Children's Hospital Foundation.

"This is the most advanced suite in Canada," said Dr. Keith Aronyk, clinical department head for neurosciences in the Edmonton Zone of Alberta Health Services.



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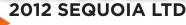




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Edmonton police won't be charging for day-long rodeo

Not a cash cow. Police say the bull's release, meant to help lure back an escaped calf, was a simple accident

Police in Edmonton say a day-long standoff with a rogue bull didn't cost the force extra money and the animal's owner will not be charged.

Police spokesman Chad Orydzuk describes Wednesday's cattle caper as a minor accident, not a crime.

The bull's owner set it free to lure back a calf that had escaped while being unloaded at a slaughtering plant.

The owner and animal bylaw officers quickly captured the calf, but the larger beast wandered into a fenced lot behind a strip mall and stubbornly refused to leave.

Orydzuk says five officers were at the site throughout the day to ensure the bovine didn't get out and hurt someone.

The tactical team was also called out and consulted — but all officers were on duty anyway and didn't require more pay.

Orydzuk says police left the job of rounding up the bull to the city's animal bylaw officers, provincial wildlife workers, a veterinarian and the bull's owner.

Over several hours, they came up with various plans to capture the animal. They tried to move it using snowmobiles, blasted air horns and sirens at it, threw snowballs and shot rubber bullets.

After 11 hours, they shot the bovine with a tranquilizer gun, scooped up the beast with a front-end loader and put it onto a waiting cattle trailer.

THE CANADIAN PRESS



A calf runs loose in an industrial vard after it escaped from Edmonton Custom Packers on Wednesday, IASON FRANSON/THE CANADIAN PRES

Hawrelak Park could see huge pool by next year



This concept drawing shows the proposed beach and water feature next to

Edmontonians could soon be sunning themselves on the sandy beaches of Hawrelak Park Lake while their children play in a brand new soccer-field-sized wading pool.

City councillors will review a new plan for a beach and water area in Hawrelak Park next week. For an estimated \$5 million, the new area could be in place by the summer of 2014.

The proposal would rest beside the existing lake, with a ring of sand surrounding a new wading pool area. The city hopes they can set up a beach area near the lake but actually keep people out of the larger body.

"The new body of water will be treated and filtered so that is intended as a wading pool, and we are designing it so we won't encourage people to go into the lake," said Roger Jevne, the director of park and facility development.

He said Hawrelak Park is an ideal setting for such a facility

"We are trying to create that more unique feel down here, where you are down ov the water."

Mayor Stephen Mandel has advocated for a beach area at the lake before but rejected the last suggestion administration brought forward: A \$60-million plan to make the entire lake suitable for swimming.

Coun. Kim Krushell said the new plan will have to compete with other priorities but it is much more reasonable.

"It is certainly a more cost-effective approach than the original price tag of what we heard at committee." RYAN TUMILITY/METRO

The plan

The city hopes to do the work this coming fall, while work is being done to improve Hawrelak Park Lake for the International Triathlon Union Grand Final, which the city is hosting in 2014.

 The new water feature would use roughly one-and-a-half times the water used in the city hall water feature. The city believes it would freeze in winter for skaters.













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5 Freedom to Read events

Freedom to Read Week kicks off Sunday and runs through March 2. The annual national event celebrates intellectual freedom, which is guaranteed under the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. The Edmonton Public Library is putting on a series of events. Here are our top 5 picks:

HEATHER MCINTYRE

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Banned Books Café



Many books have been challenged over time, some for being too political, some too sexy, and others anti-religious. At this drop-in event, hear readings from some of these books, and join in discussions about censorship and your freedom to read. Feb. 24, 2 p.m.

Woodcroft EPL branch

Days of Destruction, Days of Revolt

Chris Hedges, a controversial Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and writer, will speak about his 2012 book Days of Destruction, Days of Revolt, which is about injustice and corporate greed in America, and how Canada is travelling the same path.

Centennial Centre for Interdisciplinary Science, U of A campus



Freedom to Listen



Along with books, music has also been considered controversial throughout history. The focus of this drop-in event is musical mash-ups such as Danger Mouse's Grey Album, and what happens when major labels don't want you to hear them.

Feb. 26, 12:15 p.m. Stanley. A. Milner EPL branch 7 Sir Winston Churchill Sq.

Freedom to View

Films can also be controversial.
Two screenings are occurring
next week:
Feb. 27, 6:30 p.m.
Stanley A. Milner EPL branch
7 Sir Winston Churchill Sq.
Watch the newly restored classic
Cabaret, starring Liza Minnelli

Feb. 28, 7 p.m. Idylwylde EPL branch 8310-88 Ave. Watch a screening of Wiebo's War, about an Albertan's fight against Big Oil



Freedom to Create



After reading, listening and viewing things that have been considered controversial in the past and present, participate in a "free-for-all" drop-in session, where you can create your own artistic masterpiece.

Feb. 28, 2 p.m. Capilano EPL branch 201 Capilano Mall, 5004-98 Ave.



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ARIES

March 21 - April 20

Aries, your independent nature will direct you down a new and winding path. Make sure you follow it closely; a delicious reward awaits you at its end.



TAURUS

April 21 - May 21

Get ready to expand your realm of loyalty and devotion, Taurus. Soon, you will be introduced to an experience so wonderful it will be hard to turn away.



GEMINI

May 22 - June 21

Gemini, next week will be lucky if you choose to harness your energy and focus on what's happening around you. Something free might very well change your life.



CANCER

June 22 - July 23

Cancer, you are a master of flexibility and going with the flow – a good thing, because something unexpected is heading your way. All you'll have to do is follow your nose.



LEO

July 24 - August 23

Your constant drive to find the very best in life will be rewarded with something surprisingly free – take pride in your find, Leo.



VIRGO

August 24 - September 23

Don't worry Virgo; your ducks are still in a row next week. However, something may be on its way to shake things up. The best part? It will cost you nothing.



LIBRA

September 24 – October 23

Ever the peaceful Libra, your good karma will come back tenfold next week. Keep your eyes peeled for something you can't quite believe is real. Trust that it will be warm and fulfilling.



SCORPIO

October 24 - November 22

We all know you're good at paying attention Scorpio – and next week will be the time to apply this skill. And don't worry about taxing your resources – this discovery will be free of charge.



SAGITTARIUS

November 23 – December 21

Soon there will be changes to your morning routine – so it's lucky Sagittarians welcome change with open arms. A bonus? It will be rich, smooth and delicious.



CAPRICORN

December 22 – January 20

Patience is a virtue, and you have it in spades Capricorn. That's why you won't mind waiting until next week to discover a new favourite thing.



AQUARIUS

January 21 – February 19

Your clever curiosity will pique in the next week, as you meet with promises of a new experience. Embrace it in its deliciousness, Aquarius.



PISCES

February 20 – March 20

Something is headed your way that even you couldn't have dreamed up, Pisces. Look forward to its arrival – it will be greater than even you could've imagined.



There's free coffee in your future.

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CYCLING APPEARS TO FACE AN UPHILL, ICY AND POCKMARKED CLIMB TO ACCEPTANCE



FOOTNOTES
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It was obvious from Wednesday's transportation meeting that the biggest challenge facing the city is not where it will find 500 kilometres of bike routes, but how it will change the culture of "us vs. them."

Inside the Crestwood School gymnasium where it was held, it was easy to distinguish who was who, either by age, the grip on their shoes or how they vented.

Pro-bikers were fond of the sticky-notes and posted them on maps of proposed routes with such messages as "Bikes belong yay!" and "Ride a bike and you won't have trouble finding parking." (Both, by the way, had smiley faces.)

Pro-drivers were generally vocal, choosing instead to debate, sometimes berate, anyone with a City of Edmonton lanyard, especially the one around Tyler Golly's neck.

Cyclists vs. motorists

In the battle between us and them, I am both. I have been honked at, yelled at and threatened. I've also done my share of yelling and threatening (windows up, of course).

The general supervisor of sustainable transportation knows that the battle isn't just uphill — it's pockmarked, icy and very narrow. "Change is scary to everybody, regardless of how dramatic it is," he said.

In the battle between us and them, I am both. I have been honked at, yelled at and threatened. I've also done my share of yelling and threatening (windows up, of course). But the more of the former I receive, I do less of the latter.

Like many Edmonton-

Like many Edmontonians who've recently added cycling to their modes of transportation, I am weaning myself off car addiction. The symptoms include driving for distances under five minutes, writing letters to the editor about snow-clearing and calling your councillor about eternal traffic lights.

How addicted are we? You don't have to count the times you hear "potholes" in a day to know that, of the eight major Canadian cities, ours is the most car-reliant.

According to Statistics Canada, 77 per cent of us get to work behind the wheel. It's not surprising then that we also have the shortest commute times.

In a city as affluent and spread out as ours, cars are both a privilege and a right. Never mind that many of us can't afford the steel, gas and insurance, or that a subgroup prefers peddles or shoes—taking cars away from Edmontonians is like taking runs away from Americans

guns away from Americans. But of course, the proposed bike routes that Mayor Stephen Mandel approved, and then more recently called a "nightmare," are not threatening to pry your steering wheel from your cold, gloved hands. They're simply trying to encourage you to let go every so often, or at least make some room for someone who will.

There are many reasons why you should. Marked bike lanes (as

Marked bike lanes (as opposed to shared roads) improve traffic flow and reduce bicycling injuries — a win-win-win for motorists, cyclists and insurers. According to a University of Texas study, bike lanes even make for safer motorists.

In fact, any on-street bike infrastructure — even some simple signage painted on the lanes that "us and them" already share — boosts Edmontonians' willingness to ride, a noble cause in itself.

So keep that in mind the next time you're about to pound your horn, and maybe try the five-finger salute instead.



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Union fears civil servants will send Morsi to the moon

Employment insurance.

Employees have been hand-delivering surprise papers to El recipients

The union representing federal employees is asking the government to stop sending its workers for unannounced visits to the homes of employment insurance recipients.

The union says it fears for the safety of its members, given the level of public anger over changes to the EI system.

"We've been hearing from (civil servants) who gone to houses .. have and they've been badly re-ceived," Larry Rousseau, a spokesman for the Public Service Alliance of Canada, said on Thursday.

"What will it take — an untoward or unfortunate incident (for these visits to stop)? Why do we have to test the limits of people's patience like this?'

He spoke following a report by The Canadian Press that public servants have been making unannounced visits since January as part of an examination while EI is being overhauled.

During those visits, federal employees have been hand-delivering question-naires and requests for people to appear at their regular EI interviews. Prime Minister Stephen

Harper defended the house calls when asked on Thursday.

"Every year, unfortunate-

ly, in our employment insurance system, hundreds of millions of dollars are identified or are lost through false, fraudulent or inappropriate claims," he said.

About 1,200 beneficiaries will be visited through the end of next month.

From now on, people who frequently claim EI are expected to accept any job for which they're qualified within 100 kilometres of home. as long as the pay is 70 per cent of their previous salary. THE CANADIAN PRESS

An Egyptian opposition group has made a novel protest against President Mohammed Morsi by signing him up for a chance to win a trip to space. The April 6 Youth Move-

ment said on its Facebook page Thursday that it had entered the Islamist leader's name in

the contest because it wanted to be rid of him. It called on supporters to vote for the leader. "For sure, no one in the uni-

verse can put up with blatant lies, reneging on promises ex-cept for the brotherly people of the moon," the group wrote on

"It is for this reason that the president needs your votes. President Morsi, we wish you safe travels."

April 6 was a driving force behind the 2011 uprising that toppled Hosni Mubarak's regime. Many of its supporters backed Morsi in the June 2012 election he narrowly won to become Egypt's first freely elected president.

But later, the group became among the fiercest critics of the president and his Muslim Brotherhood.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



U.S. faces test of gay-marriage talk

The Obama administration is considering urging the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn California's ban

on gay marriage. The administration faces heightened expectations from gay-rights supporters after President Barack Obama, who only last year came out with his support, has become far more vocal in his second term.

His administration has a week to file a brief outlining its opinion on the California ban, known as Proposition 8. While it is unlikely to sway the high court, the government's opinion does carry weight with the justices

Opponents of the ban believe the president signalled his intentions when he declared in last month's inaugural address that homosexuals must be "treated like anyone else under the law THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Winnipeg

Former Scouts leader admits to sexual abuse

A former leader with Scouts Canada has pleaded guilty in Winnipeg to several sex charges involving

Stuart Garrett Young, 40, has admitted to sexual assault, sexual exploitation, making child pornography and other offences.

His sentencing hearing is set for April 15.

Young was a longtime volunteer with Scouts Canada and helped run an outdoor program for kids 14 to 17 years old.

At the time of his arrest last summer. police alleged Young had abused one of his victims from 2009 to 2011.

Young was suspended from Scouts Canada as soon as the group became suspicious of him and notified police. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Las Vegas shooting sets off lethal chain reaction

Police rope off the scene of a shooting and multi-car accident on the Las Vegas Strip early on Thursday. Authorities say at least one person in a Range Rover shot at people in a Maserati that then crashed into a taxi. The cab burst into flames, and the driver and passenger were killed. The male driver of the Maserati also died, and his passenger was shot, steve marcus, las vegas sun/the associated press

Business Program Information Sessions

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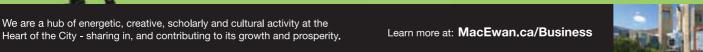
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Man says sorry for false 'starlight tour' tale

Native-police relations.

He had accused Winnipeg officers of dumping him in remote location but GPS, video proved the claim a lie

A young aboriginal man has apologized for falsely accusing two police officers of taking him on a so-called starlight tour.

Winnipeg police and native leaders hope the apology will help improve the sometimes-bitter relationship between officers on the beat and aboriginal residents in the inner city.

"I'm sorry for jeopardizing the reputation of the Winnipeg Police Service. I want to say sorry to the police officers for putting them in that situation," Evan Maud, 22, said Thurs-

Turning his life around

"I was able to ... graduate school. I'm now doing good things for myself."

Evan Maud, who has trained to become a welder

day. The public show of remorse was part of a restorative justice program that allowed Maud to avoid trial

on a public-mischief charge. "I'm also deeply sorry to their families, friends and colleagues for causing them to doubt, mistrust and ques-

tion the two police officers."
On Dec. 3, 2010, Maud claimed that he had been walking down a street when he was stopped by two officers in a patrol car who accused him of being drunk. He said the officers drove him outside city limits, took his coat and left him

alone in freezing weather.

The tale bore striking similarities to stories of starlight tours in other cities.

Starlight tour is the name used when suspected troublemakers are dropped off far from home rather than police following through with an official arrest.

Maud's story quickly unravelled. Video from Winnipeg Transit showed that he

was on board a bus at the time. And the police cruiser's GPS showed the vehicle wasn't anywhere near city limits.

Maud did not say why he made up the story. His uncle, Joseph Maud, would not elaborate other than to say his nephew had been under the influence of alcohol. "It's between him and the Creator... He acknowledged today that he is SOTTY." THE CANADIAN PRESS



Awards season at the zoo

Aurora, a female polar bear, 12, walks in her enclosure at the Toronto Zoo on Thursday. Federal Environment Minister Peter Kent was at the zoo, where he was presented with the Champion of Polar Bears award from Polar Bears International CHRIS YOUNGTHE CANADIAN PERS

London, Ont.

Teens charged in store robbery with samurai sword

Police have laid a total of 14 charges against three suspected young offenders in a robbery that involved a samurai sword.

On Feb. 14 three masked men entered Twice the Deal Pizza in London, Ont., and demanded cash.

Police say one had a samurai sword and another a hunting knife.

The thieves fled with an undisclosed amount of cash.

Three boys, aged 14, 15 and 17, face various charges.

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Upon arrest

OK for police to search phones without a password: Court

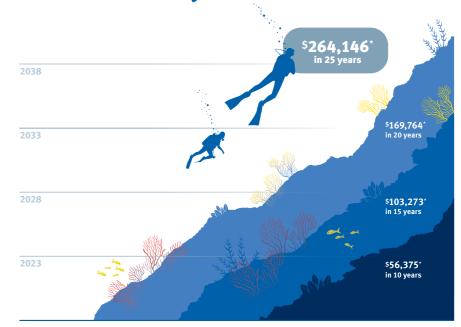
The right of police officers to look through someone's phone depends on whether there's a password, Ontario's highest court has ruled.

It's all right for police to have a "cursory" look through a phone upon arrest if it's not password protected, but if it is, investigators should get a search warrant, the Ontario Court of Appeal said. The lawyer for a man convicted of robbery argued police breached his rights by looking through his phone after his arrest.



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New detective takes

over Oscar Pistorius

India. Police search for men accused of raping and killing three sisters

Indian police said Thursday they have launched a manhunt for men suspected of raping and killing three sisters, aged five to 11, in the latest case of sexual violence to grip the country.

The sisters' bodies were found in a village well in Maharashtra state on Feb. 14 after they had gone missing from school, police of-ficer Javed Ahmed said. The area is more than 1,000 kilometres south of New Delhi, the capital.

As the victims' mother accused police of a shoddy investigation, enraged villagers forced shops to close, burned tires and blocked a national highway passing through the area for several hours on Wednesday, de-

manding justice.

"The police did not take
the case seriously and did
nothing for two days," the
CNN-IBN television news channel quoted the mother as saying. Her name was withheld.

One police officer has

A new law enacted by the Indian government has increased the sentences for rape from the existing seven to 10 years to a maximum of 20 years.

- It also provides for the cases of rape that result in death or leave the
- ism, stalking, acid attacks and the trafficking of women punishable under

been suspended for not acting promptly, Indian Heavy Industries Minister Praful Patel, who represents Bhandara district in Parliament, told reporters in New Delhi.

"It is unacceptable. All of us have to hang our heads in shame," Patel said.

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Germany

Catholic hospitals can prescribe pill to rape victims

Roman Catholic-run hospitals can prescribe limited emergency contraception to rape victims, German bishops said Thursday as they sought to contain fallout from an embarrassing recent case in which two hospitals refused to

treat a woman. The German church was under pressure to clarify its stance after two Čatholic hospitals in Cologne turned away a rape victim because of concerns over the pill. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Russia

Pussy Riot band member has 'no regrets'

One year after the band Pussy Riot staged an anti-President Vladimir Putin stunt in Moscow's main cathedral that landed them in jail, a released band member said Thursday that she has no regrets.

Yekaterina Samutsevich told The Associated Press that she is glad that their punk performance made Russians more aware of the Orthodox Church's close ties with the Russian government.

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murder investigation Sensational twist.

- death penalty in extreme victim in a coma.
- It has also made voyeurcriminal law.

Ahead of a judge's decision on whether to release Oscar Pistorius on bail, South African police on Thursday appointed a new chief detective in the murder case, replacing a veteran policeman who is himself charged with attempted murder.

Prosecutors say timing

detective 'totally weird'

of murder charges

against former lead

The sensational twist in the state's troubled investigation fuelled growing public fascination with the case against the double-amputee Olympian, who is charged with premeditated murder in the shooting death of his girlfriend, Reeva Steenkamp, in the early hours of Valentine's Day.

Pistorius, a sporting icon and source of inspiration to millions until the shoot-

- Botha acknowledged Wednesday in court that nothing in Pistorius' version of the fatal shooting of Steenkamp contradicted what police had discovered, even though there have been some discrepancies.
- Botha also said that police had left a 9 mm slug in the toilet and had lost track of allegedly illegal ammunition found in Pistorius' home.



er investigating officer Hilton Botha sits inside the witness box during the bail hearing for Oscar Pistorius at the trate court in Pretoria, South Africa, Thursday. Botha, accused of attempted murder, has been replaced

ing a week ago, is backed by a high-powered team of lawyers and publicists. The abruptness of his fall, and its gruesome circumstances, have gripped a global audience and put South Africa's police and judicial system under the spotlight.

Much of the drama Thurs-

day happened outside the courtroom as South African police scrambled to get their investigation on track.

The decision to put police Lt. Gen. Vinesh Moonoo in charge came soon after word emerged that the initial chief investigator, Hilton Botha, is facing attempted-murder charges, one day after he offered testimony damaging to the prosecu-

Bulewa Makeke, spokeswoman for South Africa's National Prosecuting Authority, said the attempted-murder charges had been reinstated against Botha on

Feb. 4.
Police say they found out about the charges after Botha testified in Pistorius' bail hearing Wednesday.

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Scusi! We were too tough on Italian menu: Quebec gov't

French-language laws. Quebecers joked about how they would never relinguish their right to

eat pasta after spat The Quebec government says its language watchdog was a little too aggressive in chasing

after an Italian restaurant for excessive use of Italian on its

The provincial minister responsible for language says she realizes the agency went too hard after the Montreal restaurant Buonanotte.

"I recognized that there was an excess of zeal," Diane De Courcy told reporters Thursday in Quebec City.

Speaking more generally, she said similar mistakes wouldn't be made in the future. She said the Office Québécois de la langue française (OQLF) would be more careful to use a loophole in the application of the language law that offers



some leeway for foreign cultural and food products.

"Not that there's ever a 100 per cent guarantee — these are human beings doing these inspections," De Courcy said.

It's an abrupt reversal of roles for the Parti Québécois government - which has spent years, since its days in opposition, urging the office to apply the law more strictly.

The agency recently visited the Montreal eatery after receiving a citizen's complaint, and it agreed that certain words on the menu needed to be switched to French.

Among them: "pasta" and "calamari." They did leave the word "pizza" alone.

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ian tourist Elisa Lam on the last day she was seen alive. The still on the left ing in an elevator in the Cecil Hotel in L.A. on Jan. 31. In the photo on the right, she quickly peeks out the door of the elev ody was found in a cistern on the hotel's roof. Los angeles police department/the associated press

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Water tests OK in cistern where body was found

Los Angeles.

Tests conducted after Canadian's death didn't find any live bacteria that would cause illness

Canadian tourist Elisa Lam had been missing for about two weeks when officials at the historic Cecil Hotel in downtown Los Angeles found her body in a water cistern on the hotel roof.

Guest complaints about low water pressure prompted a maintenance worker to make the gruesome dis-covery Tuesday, and officials were trying to determine if the 21-year-old was killed or if her death was just a bizarre accident.

The discovery of Lam's body called into question the safety of the hotel's water. She was found in one of four cisterns that provide guests with water for washing and drinking. Los Angeles County Depart-ment of Public Health of-

Lam, of Vancouver, travelled alone to Los Angeles on Jan. 26 and was last seen five days later at the hotel near Skid Row.

The cisterns are on a platform above the roof. To get to the tanks, someone would have to go to the top floor and then take a staircase with a locked door and alarm preventing roof access. A ladder would have to be taken to the platform and the side of tank would have to be climbed.

ficials issued a do-not-drink order and county health official Angelo Bellomo says chlorine in the water likely killed any bacteria in the tank where Lam's body was found. The lab tests didn't find any live bacteria that would cause illness.

U.S. Laura **Bush wants** out of pro-gay marriage ad

Former U.S. first lady Laura Bush wants to be removed from a pro-gay marriage group's advertising campaign featuring prominent people speaking on the topic.
The Respect for Marriage

Coalition has launched print, television and online ads that also include clips of President Barack Obama, former vice-president Dick Cheney and former secretary of defence Colin Powell talking about samesex marriage.

Bush spokeswoman Anne MacDonald says Bush "did not approve of her inclusion in this advertise ment nor is she associated in any way with the group that made the ad."

The campaign features a clip of Bush saying on CNN, When couples are committed to each other and love each other then they ought to have the same sort of rights that everyone has."

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Genocide. **Woman loses American** citizenship

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Jurors on Thursday convicted a woman of lying to obtain U.S. citizenship by denying her role in the 1994 Rwanda genocide.

The verdict came nearly a year after another jury in New Hampshire failed to reach one. Federal prosecutors changed their witnesses and strategy for the new trial.

Beatrice Munyenyezi put her head down on a courtroom table and started

weeping. U.S. District Judge Steven McAuliffe stripped her of her citizenship — in the same courthouse where she obtained it a decade ago — and ordered her detained until her sentencing, scheduled for June 3. She faces up to 10 years in prison and deportation.

Munyenyezi's 18-year-old daughter, Saro, sobbed as she left the courtroom.

Defence attorney David Ruoff said they will appeal her conviction.

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Canada Innovates



Part 3

The final part of Metro's series on Canadian innovation may include some failed ideas, but could we have a winner when it comes to today's design?

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A DRAGON'S EYE VIEW

Entrepreneur and TV personality Arlene Dickinson weighs in on Canada's innovation inertia



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The 2008 recession put a damper on **innovation** in Canada, says Arlene Dickinson of Dragons' Den, and while things are now "turning a corner," she believes the country still has a long way to go.

"Other places have been innovating at a **rapid** speed, and we haven't been putting as much time and attention into it." Dickinson told Metro in a recent interview.

"My concern about the state of innovation is that it's lagging behind."

The problem, according to the high-profile investor and businesswoman, is not a lack of entrepreneurial spirit in Canada.

Quite the contrary, in fact. "You think about Dragons' Den and the number of entrepreneurs in the country that are coming forward — I think

we are being very entrepreneurial," Dickinson said.

"But that's kind of a new **phenomenon**. That's happened in the last three or four years as we come out of a bad economy, because that's what's going to drive a new economy."

economy."

The sticking point for many of these would-be innovators is going from **concept** to **commercialization**.

As an example, she pointed to the "3-D Sawhorse" — an innovative hardware product developed in the garage of 82-year-old Sam Koffski, which Dickinson snapped up on Season 6 of Dragons' Den.

Falling behind

"Other places have been innovating at a rapid speed, and we haven't been putting much time and attention into it."

Venture Communications CEO Arlene Dickinson

The elderly entrepreneur had a great idea on his hands, Dickinson said, but struggled finding the **effective** financing, patents, manufacturing and distribution.

and distribution.

With a little help, though, that soon changed, and the product could hit retail shelves by the spring.

by the spring.
"It's about to go into stores, hopefully across the world," Dickinson said. "Sometimes what great **ideas** need is just somebody to open the doors and also to put the weight behind the idea to make it successful."

On a broader scale, Dickinson said Canada needs to change its **mentality** when it comes to innovation and make it a large part of the national discourse.

"We have to start talking

we have to start taiking about it more, making it part of the conversation of business in this country," she said. "If we don't, we're going to be in trouble. We're going to be left behind, absolutely."

Canada's closet of colossal failures

With great ideas come great failures, and Canada has had plenty of failures. But that's really no surprise given Canadians' entrepreneurial spirit. Tom Villemaire is the

Tom Villemaire is the co-author of Colossal Canadian Failures, a short history of things that seemed like a good idea at the time and an ode to Canada's innovative spirit gone haywire. Metro spoke with him about why failure is an important step in the innovative process.

In terms of innovation, where exactly did most of these ideas fail?

A lot of these so-called failures were victims of timing - they were good ideas but out of synch with the times. Some were marketing failures the consumers just weren't convinced of the potential. Others were situations where the inventor was the victim of backers who lost confidence too early or got greedy. And some were just weird. George Kavanaugh's idea to use carrots for rectal treatment (with a recess in the carrot for medication) was really an odd idea from the start. And the idea of a perpetual motion machine made from wood - which, as we all know, creates sparks when two pieces of it are rubbed together and which, as we all know, burns very easily

- was just plain wrong.

What was the best idea that went wrong? Why? And could it have worked if the situation was different?

Well, there are a few contenders, but I think ultimately it has to be the Avro Arrow — a supersonic, all-weather jet fighter that did very well in test flights with pilots.

But like almost every other government project, the COSTS were significantly higher than had been initially estimated (\$1.5 million to \$400 million to \$700 million). The Liberals were in power when the Arrow was built and had to defend the expense. When John Diefenbaker's Conservatives defeated the Liberals in 1957, it took them under two years to cancel the Arrow program.

Were these mostly bad ideas or were they just developed wrong?

Some were bad ideas from the start, but in a lot of other cases, the inventors — or their backers — just lacked the self-confidence or **resources** to follow something through. Two guys from Toronto had a working light bulb before Thomas Edison. They couldn't raise money to develop it so they sold the patent to Edison, who was working on some-

thing similar and just rolled their idea into the mix.

Would you still call these inventors innovators, just because they were willing to try something new and different?

Many of these people were in-novators and were **brilliant**. Not all, however. Samuel Hughes was a Conservative minister in charge of getting Canada ready for the First World War. Among his other questionable decisions, he registered a patent in his secretary's name for a new and improved shovel and ordered the shovels for his troops. In fact, the soldiers needed shovels to dig the foxholes and trenches that would help protect them in battle. But Hughes' secretary suggested they could use the shovels as shields and put holes in them so the soldiers could shoot from behind them. A shovel with a hole in it just isn't the most effective shovel.

Has Canada learned from these mistakes?

I think Canada has learned a little, but there are still plenty of Canadians who head south to "make it big," and that is a **symptom** of a problem. And some might say Canada doesn't always have the confidence and **boldness**

to support its inventors and innovators.

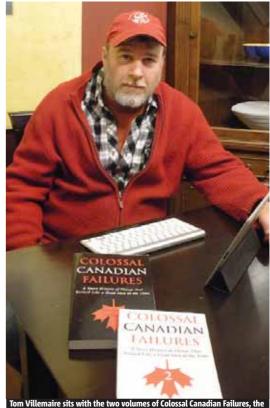
Can future innovators learn from them?

I think future innovators can draw inspiration from even the failures. Anyone who wants to try something new is daring to break new ground. That's a scary thing. Failure and doing something new are roommates; they're twins. You can't have one without the other. Even Alexander Graham Bell had failures - like the Cygnet II, a plane he designed with wings created from a wall of kites. At the time, there was nothing that had enough power to get the plane airborne in the first place. But he's not remembered for that; he's remembered for his successes

How do you see Canada in terms of innovative thinking these days?

We have pretty **amazing** technology people in Canada. You look at the BlackBerry and the Canadarm and even the arms industry with the LAV3 or Stryker. **High-tech** means high pay and good jobs, so it's important to keep that kind of thing in the country.

For text of the full interview, visit metronews.ca/innovation



Tom Villemaire sits with the two volumes of Colossal Canadian Failures, the books he co-authored. The books show that for every monumental Canadian innovation, there's been a handful of flore covernment.

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Light-sabre classes teach Star Wars fans to feel the force

San Francisco. Ever wanted to put 'Jedi' on your resumé? This workshop will give you the requisite moves

A group of San Francisco Star Wars fans have created a combat choreography class for Jedis-in-training with their weapon of choice: The light sabre.

At a recent class, Alain Bloch, the self-proclaimed Jedi Master at Golden Gate Knights, demonstrated a slicing technique. He has a background in martial arts and stage combat.

"Always be mindful of the presence!" he said, donning a Luke Skywalker outfit and a green light sabre.

green light sabre.

With Star Wars movie music coursing through the dance studio, his disciples clutch their neon-glowing light sabres. These self-proclaimed Star Wars geeks slice and parry as they follow Bloch's lead, and they get a little exercise, too.

People in a recent class, including a couple on a date, said



Jim Collum, foreground, and other students work on light-sabre skills during a Golden Gate Knights class in San Francisco or Feb. 10. A group of San Francisco Star Wars fans who want to travel to a galaxy not that far away have created a combat choreography class for Jedis-in-training, JEFF CHIU/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

they embraced their quirkiness and had even converted some of the skeptical into the Jedi order.

"At first they giggle because they think it's a little silly. Then they're like, 'Actually that's kind of cool,'" said Julio Reyes, a student. Not all Jedisin-training are rooting for the good guys. Some came to embrace the dark side of the force

"I just love Vader, period," said the Darth Vader-clad student Gary Ripper. "Just his voice, the way he moved, the power of him. I just liked the powerfulness of him."

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Jedi-in-training Julio Reyes

TV. Nielsen to measure broadband audiences

The company that measures television viewership said Thursday it will soon begin counting people who watch programming through broadband in addition to the traditional broadcast or cable hook-up.

Nielsen's move is a significant step toward recognizing a world where the definition of TV viewing is swiftly changing and toward satisfying clients concerned that the company isn't keeping up with those changes. Nielsen is also developing ways to track content on tablets and mobile phones.

For many years, roughly 99

per cent of homes in the U.S. had televisions that received service through broadcast, cable or satellite signals.

Now the number of homes without such service is 4.2 per cent — and growing each year. An estimated three-quarters of those homes still have TVs, and their owners watch programming through game consoles or services like Netflix and Amazon. Starting in September, Nielsen will have meters that can monitor viewership in those homes, said Brian Fuhrer, a senior vice-president at Nielsen. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Home improvement

Rona to cut 200 jobs across Canada

Home improvement retailer Rona Inc. plans to cut 200 full-time administrative jobs across Canada. The company continued to underperform in the fourth quarter, and is looking for ways to become more efficient and improve its customer experience.

The downsizing is part of Rona's plan to focus on its core businesses and reduce other holdings. Investors have been unhappy with its financial performance, especially since it turned down a takeover offer from Lowe's last year. THE CANDIAN PRESS

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Lego gets sales boost from girls' product line

Toys. Danish company was unable to keep pace with demand for series that includes a beauty shop and dream house

Lego's sales soared 25 per cent last year thanks in part to its new series of building blocks designed for girls.

The privately owned com-

pany said Thursday that on revenue of about \$4.2 billion its net profits grew 38 per cent, to about \$1 billion.

The company, based in western Denmark, said Lego Star Wars and Lego Ninjago remained among its more popular series, but it was a novel rollout for girls, Lego Friends, that sold better than expected — to the extent that production units were unable to keep pace with demand.

By the number

7.9%

Lego said its share of the total U.S. toy market has quadrupled in five years. As of the end of 2012 it was 7.9 per cent, up 1.6 percentage points from the previous year.

In the U.S., Lego Friends surpassed early projections, with its sales eventually increasing three times more than expected, Lego said.

The new line, which includes mini-figures in pink, a dream house with a pool, and a beauty shop, was criticized by some U.S. consumer groups as reinforcing gender stereotypes.

The company, which sells products in more than 130 countries, expects sales to continue to climb in 2013, but at a slower rate due to global economic uncertainty.



Securities oversight

Canadian stock markets to get new 'circuit breakers'

Canadian stock markets will adopt new "circuit breakers" that will briefly stop trading when there is a big drop in a major index The changes will be consist-ent with measures planned for U.S. markets. In essence, under the new rules, it will take a smaller drop to trip the circuit breaker but the pauses will be shorter when they do occur. The change was announced by the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada, which helps oversee the country's securities markets. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Restaurants

Tim's plans extra renos in 2013

Tim Hortons hopes a refreshed look for many of its stores and a new leader atop its executive team this summer will boost the brand as it endures an underwhelming economy and heavy competition from other coffee restaurants

The chain plans to renovate about 300 of its franchised stores this year, or roughly double the amount it has most other years. Some stores will also have their drive-thru lines revamped to process more vehicle traffic in less time.

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THE LIST Neil Morton metronews.c

Terrence Ross. The Raptors rookie leapfrogged a ballboy before throwing down a one-handed dunk to cement his NBA All-Star dunk contest title. The best part of the win?

He paid homage to Vince Carter by wearing his retro Raptors Jersey for one dunk, and the ballboy was the son of Twitter CEO Dick Costolo. Ross should have live-tweeted as he was dunking.

Seth MacFarlane. The stuffy, formal Oscars night is loosening up, with the no-holds-barred Seth (Family Guy) MacFarlane hosting the 85th Academy Awards this Sunday. The Academy Awards going edgier like the Golden Globes does is a good thing. Because at the end of the day, who really cares about the boring accentance speeches?

Cares about the boring acceptance speeches?

Harlem Shake. The new Gangnam Style, this Internet dance phenomenon is based on an electronic dance track by DJ Baauer. Thousands of YouTube videos are being uploaded every day of people doing it, from sports teams to office workers. And unlike Gangnam, you don't have to be a great dancer. Which means I'll be all over this meme soon.

Pancake Manor. This Canadian YouTube music video series for kids by Billy Reid has garnered more than nine million views. Featuring puppets that educate with high energy music and humour, it's great for entertaining and tiring your preschoolers out — and giving parents a break. Go to pancakemanor.com to discover this brave new kids world.

Danica Patrick. In a historic sports achievement, Patrick became the first woman to win the pole position for the Daytona 500 — the Super Bowl of NASCAR. She beat the boys by posting a lap of 196.434 m.p.h., and starts alongside Jeff Gordon in the Feb. 24 race. Two words for Patrick: girl power!

Roll Up The Rim. Tim Hortons' latest Roll Up The Rim promotion has begun. It has become so well known that it now makes headlines each time it starts up. And it's upped the ante for this, their 27th annual event, by including 100 pre-paid MasterCards loaded with \$5,000 each among the prizes. With my luck, I'll just settle for a double double.

Roberto Luongo. The Vancouver Canucks goalie may

Roberto Luongo. The Vancouver Canucks goalie may have the funniest, most self-deprecating Twitter account in sports @strombone1. He takes you inside the hockey world, poking fun at himself and others who take sport so seriously. A recent tweet said "Almost had him......" with a picture of Luongo giving up a goal he wasn't close to saving. LOL.

Twitter Hacker Club. A hamburglar hacked @burgerking's Twitter account Monday, changing the account to McDonald's profile pic. Then Tuesday, someone (reportedly the Whopper hacker) carhacked @jeep's account, saying it had been sold to Cadillac. This was quite a lesson in password security for both companies, but they did pick up plenty of new followers with the attention.

The Junos. The music machine that is Canadian pop star Carly Rae Jepsen picked up more award nominations this week, this time five to lead the pack for the 2013 Juno Awards, which take place in Regina on April 21. Heck, she got more than the boy who discovered her and launched her career with a tweet, the Biebs. The whole world has her number now.

Big Brother Canada. From a small-town elementary teacher in Nova Scotia to a T.O. socialite to a Calgary firefighter who likes to party, the first season of Big Brother Canada has all the makings of great Canadian reality TV — and evictions. The show

reality TV — and evictions. The show debuts Feb. 27 on Slice. I know I'll be tuning in to check out the hijinks.

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Putting their backs into it





Mexican carpooling

Daily commute inspires art project

For most of us, riding on the back of a pickup truck would be a once-off trip, but for construction workers in Monterrey, Mexico, it's part of a daily commute. This bird's eye view of labourers is the theme of photographer Alejandro Cartagena's project Car Poolers, exhibited at Los Angeles' Kopeikin Gallery from Feb. 23 to April 6.

Q&A with photographer

'Simple, honest, life'

How did this photo project come about? In the summer of 2011, I started going once or twice a week to the same spot — an overpass on Monterrey's Highway 85 going southbound to San Pedro Garza Garcia — to photograph these workers on their way to work. I would stay for two hours and get

just a couple of images I liked; the speed of the trucks made it difficult to get clear shots. After a year, I've arrived with around 120 good images.

How has the reaction to your photos been? Some people in Mexico

Some people in Mexico have found them humorous, others provocative, but most are very intrigued at the choice of viewpoint to portray the issue...

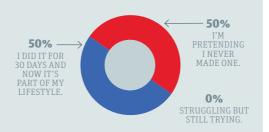
What issue is that? The social and economic kind. If these guys would go on the bus route, it would be too expensive for them, since there are no proper mass low-cost transportation systems. I hope one can reflect on how people's resilience helps them maintain hope of a better life in a country filled with social, political and violent issues.

In three words, how would you describe your photos? Simple, honest, life. ANTHONY JOHNSTON/ METRO WORLD NEWS



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What's the status of your New Year's resolution?



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Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN



The Rock cooks a stinker

Snitch. It's dealers vs. Dwayne Johnson in this movie, with a heavy handed look at America's War on Drugs policy

Richard: Mark, Snitch isn't a bad movie, but it is a miscast one. As charismatic as The Rock... er ... Johnson is, his physicality gets in the way. The character is a determined regular Joe willing to go to any lengths to help his son. But how much more effective would it have been if he didn't resemble a cop who could crash the drug dealers he's working with between his muscular thumb and fore-

Mark: I wouldn't say it was miscast, but that it was too obviously cast. Your idea of casting against type, as an

everyman rather than an action hero, is a tantalizing one. I'm imagining how much more interesting a movie it would be with, say, Ryan Gosling, or even Paul Giamatti. The real question, however, is: when Susan Sarandon and Barry Pepper are support characters in a Dwayne Johnson movie, is this one of the signs of the apocalypse?

RC: Ha! I thought Pepper was OK but you could almost see Sarandon reaching for the paycheque. She has seven movies coming out this year and seems to have wedged this one in as she ran from set to set. Perhaps the movie's message that the "War on Drugs" needs to find a new plan of attack appealed to her, but she's playing this one as a character straight out of Central Casting. What did you think of Jon Bernthal as the ex-con who gives The Rock a hand. Loved him on The Walking Dead and thought he was one of the best things about this movie, even if the conclusion to his story was far fetched.

MB: Well, he was the only one in the movie who brought an element of surprise to his scenes. As far as the story goes, I liked the premise, but I thought the storytelling was kind of sloppy and sometimes it felt like scenes were missing. The violence was restrained for this kind of movie, and I'm not sure if that's a good or a bad thing. And the villains barely regis-tered. They were mostly nasty

RC: I found the lack of violence refreshing. Given the name, the star and the idea you might have expected this to be a shoot 'em up, and it isn't. It's a father and son story with a twist.

MB: Finally! A drug movie for the whole family!

Dwayne Johnson is John Matthews, owner of a construction company and estranged father to Jason (Rafi Gavron). Jason falls into a Kafka-esque legal loophole when his drug-dealing best friend implicates him as a trafficker in return for a break on iail time. Under America's strict facing a mandatory 10-year sentence unless he gives up gets the action underway when he says to the U.S. if I help you make arrests?"

"War on Drugs" laws Jason is the name of a co-conspirator, but because he's innocent he has no one to snitch on. John Attorney (Susan Sarandon), "What if I do it for him? What Cue the cage match between The Rock and drug dealers.

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Just a human story...

"It's really just a smart story about people trying to get by, which is what I always look for...

"I'm pretty sure I've never done a horror film kind of thing. It's not a genre that ever appealed to me but this has so many other elements to it and at the end of the day it's just a very human story about this family."



Ewan McGregor talks about being the number one super guy

Jack the Giant Slaver.

Star takes on the role of a well-intentioned knight who needs a little help from his sidekick Jack



NED EHRBAR Matra World News in Hollywood

Ewan McGregor gets his daring-do on for director Bryan Singer in Jack the Giant Slayer, playing a knight who's forthright and heroic — to a fault — as he and Jack (Nicholas Hoult) try to rescue a princess from the aforementioned giants. But McGregor's inspiration for the character may surprise you.

movie. It seems like you haven't aged in the last 10 years. What gives? (Laughs) I don't have a secret to that. I'm afraid.

You look fantastic in this



When you're presented with a forthright knight type of character, how do you approach that?

I don't know, it's a pretty

understandable character. It's a sort of classic role. It's not something new, really. I just played what was on the page, really. It's very well and clearly written in the script. And I liked the humour. I thought the humour that was in the writing was very good. I like the fact that he's sort of very gung-ho but very often doesn't quite get things right, and then Jack has to come along behind him and tidy things up. Sort of like a Hong Kong Phooey type style. That cartoon was one of my main sources of research, Hong Kong Phooey.

The film very carefully walks that line of appealing to both kids and adults.

I think that's right. It lies in exactly the right place for a film that's being made for a family to watch. Very often these days you take your kids to films and there's inappropriate language or sexual jokes that are very clearly aimed for the parents. You don't want your kids seeing that, or at least I don't. But this is absolutely something that you could take your family to see and you wouldn't find yourself in any awkward moments with your kids, you know? It's a classic sort of family movie.

No Pakistani praise for this movie

Zero Dark Thirty.

People in the Islamic republic taking issue with inaccuracies

Pakistan stars in Zero Dark Thirty, from early scenes at a detention site to the dramatic closing minutes as Navy SEAIs assault the hideout of Osama bin Laden. But the Academy Award-nominated film about the hunt for the al-Qaida leader has sparked a controversy in Islamabad about its portrayal of the country, and it won't likely be shown on the local big

screen.

Partly, the film taps into national discomfort that bin Laden was found to be living for years near Pakistan's equivalent of West Point. But Pakistanis who have seen the film on DVD or Internet downloads are also making much of what they say are factual errors.

Nadeem F. Paracha, a columnist for the English language newspaper Dawn and a cultural critic in Pakistan, noted that in some scenes characters speak Arabic, whereas Pakistanis in fact speak Urdu or Pashto or one of the tens of other languages found in the country.

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Emerging Edmonton Artists!

Kira Hladun



Edmonton singer songwriter Kira Hladun has some big dreams. A recent graduate of MacEwan University, Kira's making a real name for herself in Western Canada's music scene. She released her second album "Something Like Love" in November at the Westbury Theatre in the Trans Alta Arts Barns.

www.kirahladun.com

Falklands

Falklands are a rough and tumble Edmonton band known from Vancouver to Halifax for their loud, hook laden rock 'n' roll. Falklands punk and power pop influences can be heard on their latest album "Cold Favour" which they released at the Wunderbar in Edmonton this past October.



Lindsey Nagy



Edmonton singer songwriter Lindsey Nagy is getting her chance to shine. She released her much anticipated debut CD "Proud" in November at the Yellowhead Brewery in Edmonton. Lindsey is known as a versatile performer, captivating her audiences with a soulful R&B style.

www.reverbnation.com/lindseynagy

Jeff Stuart & The Hearts

The latest release from Jeff Stuart & The Hearts, 'Equal Parts Reason And Moonlight' has been described by the Edmonton Journal as "one of the best albums of 2011, a sweeping, silver-screen mix of '60s psychedelic pop, folk-rock and atmospheric electronica with exquisite strings." The Hearts have been psychedelic pop, tolk-tock and authospheric electronica with exquisite strings. The rearis have been winning fans across the country, bringing strong musicianship and a healthy dollop of sonic experimentation to their live performances and have opened for the likes of fabled songwriter Ron Sexsmith.



Danielle Lowe



Edmonton artist Danielle Lowe is one busy gal. This past August she released her latest single 'Patient' for which she's also done a music video. Voted Female Artist Of The Year at the 2012 Alberta Country Music Awards, Danielle keeps up a busy performance schedule. She performed at the Canadian Finals Rodeo in November and in London, England on December 1.

www.daniellelowe.com

Ten Second Epic

This past year has been an eventful one for Edmonton band Ten Second Epic. They released their fourth full-length album 'Better Off' in September of 2011 and performed at the Edmonton Oilers home opener the following month. Since then the band has been touring relentlessly, playing countless shows in www.tensecondepic.com





If you see Breaking Bad and Argo star Bryan Cranston at Sunday's Academy Awards, know that he's not there of his own volition.

"First of all, I wouldn't go. If I'm not nominated, why am I there?" he tells Metro. "They want me to go the Oscars. I'm not nominated, but Argo is, and it's like, 'Go, go, go!' My wife's saying, 'You've got to go! We've got to go!' And it's like, 'Really? I don't know Another tuxedo? From the outside in, you're like, 'Wow! Look at that!' But when you're there, I'm telling you ... I've got to be careful how I phrase this because I don't want to sound like I'm not grateful. I'm grateful for the opportun-

It's not sitting through the shows themselves that bug Cranston so much as working

the red carpets.

"I hate red carpet interviews, because you get as a deep into a conversation as you would in a loud bar," he says "It's awful,

it's awful. The publicists, they tell me it's important and you should do it, but any time I go, I ask, 'Can I avoid the red carpet?'

- Metro's own Ned Ehrbar will chronicle the highs and lows of the Academy Awards on Sunday night. You can follow along at metronews.ca or on Twitter with **@nedrick**
- Follow Dorothy Robinson's red carpet fashion critiques @dorothyatmetro

The 85th Academy Awards are on CTV Sunday and those with a stake in office pools will no doubt be glued to their sets. Hosted by Seth MacFarlane, the awards show kicks off at 8:30 p.m. ET. Both CTV and E! will have coverage of the stars walking the red carpet in their finery as they arrive at the Dolby Theatre in Hollywood.



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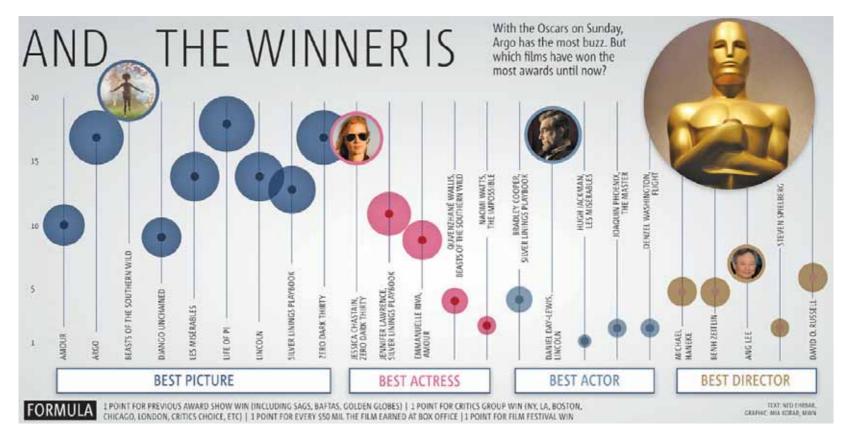
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The odds-on Oscar favourites

Academy Awards.

Gold Derby is tracking the chances for all the nominees



With odds of four to one, Steven Spielberg's Lincoln is still the favourite to win the big prize of best picture at the Academy Awards Sunday, according to Gold Derby, which tracks the chances for Oscar nominees.

That's despite the surge of support — and wins at other awards shows — for Ben Affleck's Argo, which started when Affleck was left out of the best director race, which Spielberg is also most likely to take, with 12 to five odds.

In the acting categories, it's no surprise to anyone

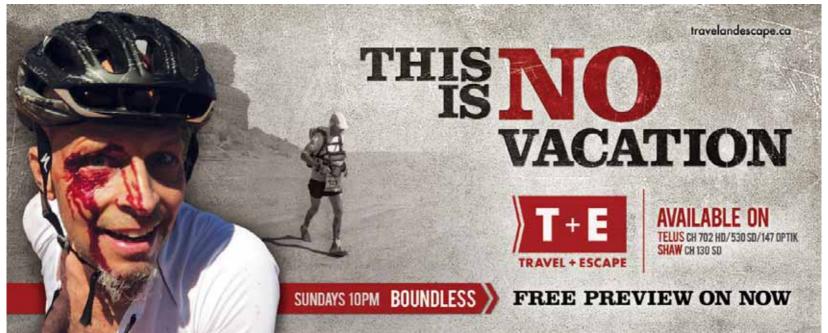
that Lincoln star Daniel Day-Lewis is most likely on his way to becoming the first three-time best actor winner in Oscar History, with a 39 per cent chance of victory.

The only nominee with better odds of scoring a trophy is Anne Hathaway, nominated for best supporting actress for Les Misérables.

The best actress race is much more interesting, with Silver Linings Play-

star Jennifer Lawrence (33 per cent) edging out Zero Dark Thirty's Jessica Chastain (30 per cent). Amour star Emmanuelle Riva, thought to be something of a potential spoiler, currently has 12 to one odds of winning. Just for comparison, our predictions when the nominations were announced last month had Lincoln, Spielberg, Day-Lewis and Chastain winning. We'll see how right we are come Sunday evening





Rating the hosts

The choice of Family Guy creator Seth MacFarlane may seem like yet another attempt by the older-skewing Oscars to appeal to the kids, but he actually has a surprising tendency toward Old Hollywood style. At parties thrown at his house, MacFarlane is even known to sing standards backed by a big band. While the jury's still out on MacFarlane's performance, we thought we'd see what he has to measure up to from the last few years' Awards.

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2009: Hugh Jackman

The Australian charmer - who happens to be a nominee for best actor this year - turned in the hosting performance to beat the year Slumdog Millionaire won. His opening song-and-dance number was the standout, but Broadway veteran Jackman proved he's an all-around talent.



The likeable comic actors relied heavily on their own charm, but it wasn't enough to save the show. With stale jokes and awkward delivery, their performance felt too much like an ad for their equally disappointing 2009 film It's Complicated.

2010: Alec Baldwin and Steve Martin



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2011: James Franco and Anne Hathaway

As we remarked during this train wreck, "Apparently there is something James Franco can't do." This brazen attempt at pulling in younger viewers turned out to be a disaster, with current nominee Hathaway seemingly abandoned by Franco, who seemed to have wisely — given up on the endeavor before it began





2012: Billy Crystal

After the Franco/Hathaway disaster, the Academy went back to standby Crystal, who hosted his ninth Oscars. But the funnyman's schtick maybe went too old-fashioned, as his bits were generally panned as hokey and out of touch. Case in point: while many in that precious younger demographic might not necessarily know Crystal was dressing up as Sammy Davis Jr. in one bit, they do know what blackface is.



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Arrested Development Wiigs out

As we anxiously count down days until the new season of Arrested Development is released on Netflix, a new tidbit of information came out today that made us even

more impatient.

It turns out Kristen Wiig will guest star in the new episodes of Arrested Development.

Even better, Wiig will play a young Lucille Bluth. We can't imagine a better actress to play the nutty, vod-

The new season premieres on Netflix in May and will also guest star Seth Rogen, John Slattery, Ben Schwartz, Chris Diamantopoulos, Conan O'Brien, Isla Fisher and Terry Crews.

ka-drinking, cold matriarch than Wiig. Maybe we'll see Wiig's young Lucille oddly

intimate relationship with her son Buster. Does young Lucille also roll her eyes at Gob's magic, err, illusions? Will young Lucille also harass daughter Lindsay about her weight?

Vulture, who first reported the news, says that Wiig and Jason Bateman, who plays Michael Bluth on the show, are presumably friends after having co-starred in the comedies Extract and Paul.

MARY ANN GEORGANTOPOULOS/MWN







Who will win best man bum?

This is definitely not the Oscars. If you're yearning to learn who will win the Best Dramatic Performance by a Robot prize, tune into The Fannies on Friday. This is the third year for the awards, hosted by Fred at Night host Fred Kennedy. Categories include Best Man Bum, Best Use of Cleavage, Best Use of Swords and the John Stamos Lifetime Achievement Award in the Category of Hair. The Fannies are being broadcast during Fred at Night. (Teletoon)

Kissing cousins and fugitive moms

In Shocking Family Secrets, viewers can learn how far people will go to keep the truth hidden on Friday. From kidnapped children reared in hiding to married cousins and fugitive moms, the series unravels deeply buried true stories and looks at why and how they got started. (OWN)

That's Precious

You can hunker down in front of the tube with a bowl of popcorn and a

slew of movies Saturday. Precious is based on the novel Push by Sapphire. It received six Oscar nominations, including one for best picture. Geoffrey Fletcher won for best adapted screenplay and Mo'Nique won the award for best supporting actress. (OWN)

Brangelina-thon

Brangelina are all over the airwaves Saturdav. Brad Pitt stars in Quentin Tarantino's Second World War film Inglourious Basterds on WPCH while Angelina Jolie gets triple billing on Showcase. The Tourist with Johnny Depp is on in the afternoon followed by Mr. & Mrs. Smith (including Pitt) and then Wanted with Morgan Freeman.

MuchMore rehab with Dr. Drew

This season of Rehab With Dr. Drew follows noncelebrities attempting to get their lives in order. This premiere episode on Sunday is full of tears, fights and ultimately redemption. (MuchMore) THE CANADIAN PRESS

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More than just politics as usual

Love story. Personal life of Jack and Olivia revisited in new madefor-TV movie



Jack Layton's story is one Laszlo Barna said he knew needed to be told as he watched the nation mourn his death.

The executive producer of Smilin' Jack: The Jack Layton Story, which was shot in Winnipeg in 2012, said the tale transcends politics.

"Some people think this is a partisan film, but when vou bury someone, it's time to put those labels aside," he told Metro on set, noting Layton's great grandfather was a Father of Confederation, and his father sat as a Tory MP.

"It's a story of this kid who came originally from a politic-

Smilin' Jack: The Jack Layton Story airs on CBC Sunday, March 10 at 8 p.m.

al family — not NDPers — but a political family. "This film is about a great

Layton died in August, 2011 at the age of 61 after a battle with cancer. His death came just a few months after he led his NDP through a spring election, capturing a party-record 103 seats and becoming Canada's official Opposition.

While the film will follow much of the campaign and his political career, Barna said it would also delve into Layton's personal life, including his marriage to fellow NDP MP Olivia Chow.

"It's a love story ... about when he met Olivia, and how they got along together," he said, noting Chow lived

"I want people to remember (Jack) and the example he set as someone who served the community. We need a young generation of people to get involved and engaged ... like Jack did."

with her mother throughout their marriage, which makes for some of the film's more

comical moments. "Not a lot of marriages survive that."

The role of Layton is played

by Rick Roberts and Chow is portrayed by broadcaster Sook-Yin Lee. Both actors are spending upwards of two hours in the make-up chair during the shoot to make sure they look just like the couple.

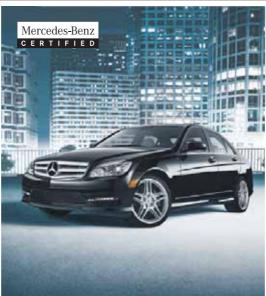
"I age through three dec-ades being Olivia Chow," said Lee. "It helps me get into character, because when I look in the mirror and see the transformation, I'm no longer

physically me."

The role is an important one for Lee, whose own sister was diagnosed with cancer a little over a year ago.

"Living with cancer is an extremely painful and distressing experience," she said. "It's something that was very close to me?

Barna hopes the final cut of the movie will inspire the next Jack Layton.



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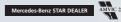


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3 Songs for the weekend

Two of these three videos fall firmly into the WTF category. I'm sure you'll be able to figure it out.





Taking It Back/ Phone Joan

I first met this band at a music festival in Oslo three years ago and was very impressed. I'm even more impressed today.

Hit You/ **Alie Layus**

The Playboy Playmate and some of her friends have some interesting encounters with food. I hope they had access to good shampoo.





Quack Like a Duck/ G.O.A.T. and Your M.O.M.

This is a real band from Texas that will go down in history for this one song. Just beware the NSFW-ness of the audio and video.

Lady Gaga thanks her little monsters for their support

Cancelled tour. Born This Way singer says post surgery that her fans gave her strength

Lady Gaga says she's had sur-

gery to fix her hip.

The 26-year-old singer posted on her blog late Wednesday that she had hip surgery and it "happened so fast." She cancelled her Born This Way Ball tour last week.

She thanked her fans in the post, saying they gave her "a lot of strength." Lady Gaga said that as she was wheeled to surgery, she reflected on her fans. She wrote: "Sometimes you are so brave that it terrifies me. I wonder how it's even possible."

Lady Gaga cancelled more than 20 dates on the remainder of her tour, which began last April. She originally postponed four dates last week after experiencing difficulties during her concert in Montreal. She explained to fans on Twitter that she'd hurt herself while performing some time ago.





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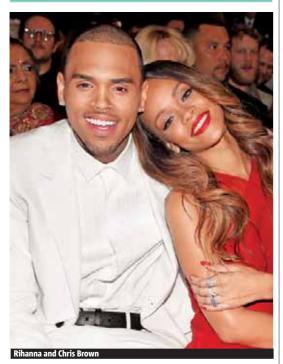


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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES



They found love in a hopeless place?

So much for those breakup rumours. Rihanna is celebrating her 25th birthday this week by escaping to Hawaii with Chris Brown by her side. The birthday girl posted a photo to Instagram of her smiling self perched on Brown's lap in the back of a limo.

They were also spotted seaside in Honolulu, according to E! News. "Chris was leading Rihanna by the hand," a source says of their brief beach walk. "She was puffing on something as she walked and seemed

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"She looked totally free and like she was really enjoying her birthday."

Rihanna was glowing, a source says

very relaxed and happy. Her hair was blowing and she twirled around. She looked totally free and like she was really enjoying her birthday. Chris was protective and made sure to hold her hand as they walked."

Hollywood's lone wolf?

Denzel Washington is not one for Hollywood schmoozing. "Even within the industry, I don't have any actor friends. My friends are my old friends," the Oscar nominee tells the Guardian.

Sure, but why doesn't he make any new friends, considering how often he co-stars with new people in movies? "Because I don't make friends!" he insists. "Maybe I'm not a butt-kisser. Maybe I'm not aschmoozer. I'm not about to go to a party to

try to get a job. I don't want movie star friends. And being African-American, there were no big movie stars to hang out with anyway, not when I was starting out. They were just the third guy from the back. For whatever reason, I never befriended any white actors." Washington's rep later clarified the report, saying Washington followed up that statement with a few exceptions, including Tom Hanks, Mel Gibson and Iulia Roberts.



Lights! Camera! Stop the show!

Matthew Broderick put the brakes on a recent performance of his Broadway show, Nice Work if You Can Get It, when he spotted an audience member taking a video of the show, according to El News. A rep for the production confirms that Broderick, upon noticing the filming, called a stop to the action and addressed the videographer in question, asking him politely if he would refrain from doing that.





The LaBeouf rebuff

Shia LaBeouf has exited what would have been his Broadway debut — in a revival of Orphans alongside Alec Baldwin — less than a month before previews were to begin, but there's been plenty of drama since he quit.

LaBeouf, who is rather new to Twitter, decided to use the social-networking site to publish emails between himself, Baldwin, director Daniel Sullivan and co-star Tom Sturridge that all suggest some sort of squabble between LaBeouf and Baldwin that precipitated his exit. "I'm too old for disagreeable situations." Sullivan writes in an email to LaBeouf. "You're one hell of a great actor. Alec is who he is. You are who you are. You two are incompatible. I should have known it. This one will haunt me. You tried to warn me. You said you were a different breed. I didn't get it."





@JuddApatow

Beasts of the Southern Wild is the only movie I have felt the need to watch multiple times this year. That and Stories We Tell.



@rosemcgowan

My nurse is terrifying. I actually need a pain pill, but I'm too scared to ask. #andihatepills



@johncusackEnough of these silly jousting games I play -I grow



hohsanet

Watched Lincoln on the movie thing on the plane[~] the flight was five minutes shorter than the film. Missed the ending, I'm rooting for him.







Party bites worthy of an Academy Award

Canapes may sound stuffy, but they actually are the ultimate in ease when it comes to party food. Plus, they look great and can be combined in endless ways to suit any taste.

So here is simple formula

for making canapes: divide them into four components bases, spreads, toppings and garnishes. For each canape, all you do is select one item from each category, then assemble. And the easiest way to assem-

ble enough for a party is to set out all of your ingredients (clustered by category), then just

start selecting and building.
If you're planning on an Oscars viewing party, you might

making of the canapes into a pre-party. Set out everything on the counter, pour some wine and invite a few guests to come early and help assemble (and sample, of course).



Bases

- 24 multigrain crackers 24 thin slices of seedless
- cucumber • 24 toasted baguette
- 24 purchased phyllo cups (found in the gro-cer's freezer section)

Spreads

Zesty Barbecue

- 3 tbsp barbecue sauce2 tbsp red pepper jelly
- 1/4 cup sour cream Splash of hot sauce
- 1. În bowl, stir ingredients.

Orange Sweet Potato

- 1 sweet potato, micro-
- waved until fork-tender 2 tbsp orange marmalade
- 1 tbsp cider vinegar Salt, black pepper
- 1. Peel potato and mash in bowl. Stir in marmalade and vinegar. Season with salt and pepper.

Toppers

- Small cooked and peeled
- shrimp
 Shredded cooked chicken
- Halved cherry tomatoes
- Crab meatSmall wedges of manchego cheese

Garnishes

- Shaved Parmesan cheese Sliced green and black
- Sliced hot peppers (such as piri piri or Peppadew)

Sliced scallions

To assemble the canapes, arrange the bases on a large serving tray. Top each with a small dollop of one of the spreads. Press one of the topping choices into the spread, then finish each with a garnish.

And the best drink goes to...



LIQUID ASSETS

With the Oscar's awarded this Sunday, here are my picks for the right booze to match with each of the best picture nominees

Les Misérables

Victor Hugo was French, loved Paris, and Paris loves the wines of Bordeaux. Go Right Bank, where merlot rules and the wines are softer and easier drinking.

Zero Dark Thirty Osama bin Laden may have abstained, but his American hunters probably enjoyed a shot of Bourbon. Try a robust, single barrel version.

I'd go with a sweeter white riesling from Germany. It

Django Unchained This spaghetti western, à la Tarantino, deserves a nice Italian red made with the sangiovese grape from Tuscany's Chianti region.

Daniel Day-Lewis is a Brit, and Lincoln had more than enough reasons to take a drink. Together they make a strong case for a full-bodied English (or U.S.) ale.

Though it's sour grapes for the Academy for leaving its helmsman off the best director list, I'm betting Ben Affleck will be drinking some bubbly, like Moët & Chandon's non-vintage Brut Imperial champagne (\$60.75 to \$65), when his flick wins best picture. PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY, SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.







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Storybook Ball

It's a fundraiser for a great cause, yes, but it's also a family-friendly night of fun. The Storybook Ball, in support of Ronald McDonald House Northern Alberta, promises a whimsical wonderland of kids games and crafts, followed by a fantasy feast and live auction March 2 at the Shaw Conference Centre. Tickets are \$125 for adults and \$30 for kids, and the cause is well worth your support. Dress as your favourite storybook character and make it even more fun! See rmhna.ca for ticket details, or call Deb at 780-439-5437.



Say yes to this dress

If you're old enough to remember the royal wedding of Charles and Diana in the early '80s, you'll recall that fairy tale gown. with a train that went on for days (25 feet, actually). The fascination with Diana hasn't waned in the vears since her death, so a visit to Diana, A Celebration Exhibition on now at West Edmonton Mall is a mustdo for many. Besides the iconic wedding gown, 28 of her designer dresses are on display, along with personal mementos, jewelry and more. On until June 9. Tickets at WEM guest services, and wem.ca/diana



Exotic blooms

Who would've thought that orchids, with their delicate and exotic appearance, are often no harder to grow than houseplants? The Orchid Society of Alberta wants you to discover just some of the 30,000 species in the orchid family at their annual Orchid Fair show and sale, Friday to Sunday at the MacEwan South Campus, 7319-29 Ave. The event is an incredible display of orchid culture and one of the largest orchid plant sales in Canada. And since this bloom grows on every continent but Antarctica, you can't use that as an excuse not to attend. Ten bucks will get you in.



Lovin' Lesley

She's Lesley Pelletier lovely, local lass with a dynamic voice and stage presence and she's releasing her debut album Turn Down the Lights next weekend here, in her hometown. Honing her skills in cover bands and as a music therapist, this professional musician plans a small tour in Western Canada to showcase her work, but we get a chance to hear it first! Grab your ticket and CD for \$25 at tixonthesquare.ca, or show up at the launch and get each for \$15. The event goes March 1 at Fiddler's Roost, 8906-99 St. Support local talent, folks.



Last dance

Let's take a turn one more time this season with the Brian Webb Dance Co., as the dynamic contemporary dance troupe presents a world premiere called Seventh Sense. Brought to E-town by one of Canada's most celebrated dance companies, Wen Wei Dance, the event is a rich and complex exploration of the human condition — a tale of unconditional love. Six dancers take us on the journey, Friday and Saturday at the Timms Centre for the Arts, 87 Ave-112 St. Tickets are \$35 and \$20 for students/ seniors at tixonthesquare. ca. Or phone 780-420-1757



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Winter Roots

It's an awesome weekend for world, folk and roots music as the Winter Roots Roundup IV settles in under one roof at Festival Place Feb. Friday to Sunday. Partners folkwaysAlive!, the U of A. Smithsonian Folkways Recordings and Pete North offer folk-loving audiences film, workshops and live performances of bluegrass, gospel there's even a tribute to the Grateful Dead. Or, check out Tacoy Ryde, Mickey Hart Band, John Cohen or the Women of Folkways - so much to choose from. See festivalplace.ab.ca for all the event details.



SPORT

NHL

Burke returns to Ducks as scout

Brian Burke joined the Anaheim Ducks as a part-time scout onThursday, a little over a month after he was fired as president and general manager of the Toronto Maple Leafs.

"Any time you can add a person of his quality to your staff, it makes your organization better," Ducks GM Bob Murray said in a statement. "We've had success working together before and look forward to doing it again." Burke returns to

Burke returns to Anaheim where he was the Ducks' executive vicepresident and GM from 2005-08. Over his three-plus seasons with the organization, the Ducks captured their first Stanley Cup in 2007. THE CANADIAN PRESS



NHL

Canucks vault Stars in 3rd period

Jason Garrison and Henrik Sedin scored third-period goals to help lead the Vancouver Canucks to a 4-3 victory over the Dallas Stars on Thursday. Alex Burrows and Kevin

Alex Burrows and Kevin Bieksa also scored for the Canucks, who ended a three-game losing streak (0-1-2), including a 4-3 decision to the Stars in Vancouver on Feb. 15.

Cory Schneider made 22 saves for the win.

Jamie Benn, Michael Ryder and Brenden Morrow scored for Dallas, which lost for the third time in its past four games.

Cristopher Nilstorp, who was recalled from AHL Texas on Sunday, stopped 18 shots.

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Edmonton Oiler Magnus Paajarvi, left, and the Los Angeles Kings' Jarret Stoll, centre, fall in front of the net of Jonathan Quick during Thursday's game

Oilers offence struggles vs. Kings

NHL. Taylor Hall's knee-on-knee hit on Cal Clutterbuck likely to be reviewed

Matt Cullen had two goals and an assist on Thursday as the Minnesota Wild defeated the Edmonton Oilers 3-1.

Devin Setoguchi also scored for Minnesota (8-6-2), which has won two straight. Niklas Backstrom made 25 saves to get the win.

get the win.

Ryan Smyth replied for the Oilers (6-7-3), who have lost three of the first four contests of a five-game homestand in advance of a nine-game road trip. Devan Dubnyk stopped 25 shots in taking the loss.

On Thursday

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Wild Oilers

There was an ugly incident with 2:33 to play in the game when Edmonton's Taylor Hall hit Minnesota's Cal Clutterbuck knee-on-knee at centreice. Hall was assessed a five-minute major and a game misconduct on a play certain to be reviewed by the league. Clutterbuck stayed on the ice writhing in pain and had to be helped to the Wild's locker-

Tied 1-1 after 40 minutes, Minnesota took the lead just over two minutes into the third when Cullen sent a pass in front to a streaking Setoguchi, who beat Dubnyk with a quick shot.

Edmonton had a chance to tie it up midway through the period on a breakaway, but Sam Gagner sent his shot wide

Cullen then gave his team a two-goal cushion with six minutes left to play by electing to shoot on a 2-on-1 and wiring a shot high past Dubnyk.

There was no scoring and few chances in a defensively minded first period, the best belonging to Minnesota's Dany Heatley, who had Dubnyk beat on a quick shot but hit the post in the final minute.

The Oilers' best chance in the first half of the game came six minutes into the second when Nail Yakupov fed Gagner on a 2-on-1 with Gagner, but Backstrom came across to make the save.

Minnesota came close midway through the second period with a flurry in front that included a huge save from Dubnyk in tight on a rebound from Heatley and another post.

Edmonton finally broke the deadlock at 12:26 of the second when Smyth picked up a rebound behind the net and quickly looped around to put the puck in from the other side before Backstrom could get across. It was the second goal of the season for Smyth, who was celebrating his 37th birthday. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Jones still perfect at Scotties

Curling. Two victories on Thursday has Manitoba sitting pretty at 9-0 with focus on qualifying for 1-2 Page playoff game

The battle of unbeaten rinks at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts on Thursday delivered drama, back-and-forth scoring swings and plenty of excite-

Manitoba's Jennifer Jones emerged triumphant after a stellar display of shotmaking gave her a 9-7 win, a guaranteed playoff berth and left Ontario's Rachel Homan with her first loss of the tourna-

Jones shot an impressive 93 per cent and always had an answer for her opponent. Homan was buoyed by the pro-Ontario crowd at the K-Rock Centre in Kingston but it wasn't enough to prevent her from suffering her first defeat.

Jones then improved to 9-0 in the evening draw with a 7-1 victory over Quebec's Allison Ross (3-6), while Homan (8-1) kept pace with a 6-5 victory over Nova Scotia's Mary-Anne



Ontario during draw 12 on Thursday at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts.

Arsenault (4-5).

In other Draw 14 action Thursday night, Team Canada's Heather Nedohin (7-2) topped Alberta's Kristie Moore (1-8) by a count of 5-3 and sits alone in third, while B.C.'s Kelly Scott is fourth at 6-3 following a 9-2 victory over Saskatchewan's Jill Shumay.

Shumay and New Brunswick's Andrea Crawford are tied for fifth at 5-4.

Jones is focused on quali-

fying for the 1-2 Page playoff game and said she's not really concerned about maintaining

a perfect record.

"We had one loss in our provincials and it kind of gave us a kick in the pants," she said after beating Ĥoman. "Right now I feel like we're playing well and we don't need that kick in the pants. So hopefully that's true.

Jones took the lead with a pair in the eighth end against

The top four rinks in the 12team field will qualify for the playoffs on the weekend.

Round-robin play continues through Friday.

Homan and added a steal of one in the ninth.

She displayed the consistency that she's known for throughout her win over Homan, who shot just 71 per cent for the game. The young Ontario skip blew a chance to tie the game by coming up light with her final stone in the ninth end.

"Both teams played really well, both had some big ends and it just came down to a couple of shots here and there," Homan said.

Jones extended her arm in the air and had a big smile on her face when she completed the victory.

"Her eyes never leave the prize and that's hard to do,' said Nova Scotia vice-skip Colleen Jones, who lost to Manitoba last Monday. "She's not distracted. She comes on the ice and she's all business.'

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NHL

Jets' Redmond sliced by skate

Winnipeg Jets defence-man Zach Redmond underwent surgery Thursday after being cut by a skate during practice earlier in the day.

Redmond was rushed to hospital in the Raleigh area to repair a laceration to his right femoral artery and vein in his mid-thigh region. The surgery took approximately three

The 24-year-old NHL rookie was accidentally cut by a teammate's skate during a practice drill in front of the net. The team's training staff rushed to his aid as blood pooled on the ice.

Redmond will be out indefinitely, joining fellow injured lets defenceman Tobias Enstrom, who is out two weeks with an injured shoulder. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Utah	31	24	.564	12
Houston	30	26	.536	131/2
L.A. Lakers	26	29	.473	17
Portland	25	29	.463	171/2
Dallas	24	29	.453	18
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San Antonio at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

NHL **EASTERN CONFERENCE**

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Saturday's games New Jersey at Washington, 12 p.m. Winnipeg at Philadelphia, 1 p.m. Phoenix at Edmonton, 3:30 p.m. Colorado at Los Angeles, 4 p.m. NY Rangers at Montreal, 7 p.m. NY Islanders at Buffalo, 7 p.m. Toronto at Ottawa, 7 p.m. Tampa Bay at Carolina, 7 p.m.
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Columbus at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
San Jose at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Calgary. 10 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE CENTRAL DIVISION

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St. Louis	17	9	6	2	53	51	2		
Detroit	17	7	7	3	45	51	1		
Columbus	17	5	10	2	39	53	1		
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Minnesota	15	7	6	2	33	38	1
Colorado	15	7	7	1	38	43	1
Edmonton	15	6	6	3	36	41	1
Calgary	15	5	7	3	40	54	1

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Referees – Dave Jackson, Dean Morton.

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Patrick stays out of trouble to keep Daytona 500 pole

NASCAR. Female driver plays it safe in the first 150-mile Budweiser Duel, finishes 17th out of 23

Her car led the field to green, then Danica Patrick never gave herself a chance to race for the win at Daytona.

She's saving that all-out push for the Daytona 500. Patrick had an easy

Patrick had an easy choice in her first race since winning the pole for The Great American Race. She played it safe and stayed back Thursday, keeping her pole position for the Daytona 500.

All Patrick needed to do was keep her car intact to preserve the top spot for Sunday's Daytona 500. She started on the pole for the first 150-mile Budweiser Duel before she faded into the field and finished 17th out of 23 cars.

"I suppose there's a sense



of relief" she kept the pole, Patrick said. "But at the same point in time, I'm a race-car driver, and it's not fun to have to protect and be careful and be cautious and drop back at times."

Patrick was nowhere

near the four-lap sprint to the finish that saw Kevin Harvick hold off Greg Biffle for the win.

Patrick became the first woman in history to win a pole in NASCAR's Sprint Cup series. Team owner Gene Haas even suggested — perhaps, jokingly — that Patrick start and park after two laps and save the car.

No driver has won the Daytona 500 from the pole since Dale Jarrett in 2000.

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2. Will Smith's wife

6. Partition

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7. Old World buffalo

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11. "Is that for here or ___

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BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

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T Aries

March 21 - April 20

Rules are meant to be broken, especially if they were made in someone else's favour. The bottom line is that your own needs come first. If that means going too far in some people's eyes, well, so be it.

Taurus April 21 - May 21

Not everyone is as careful and conscientious as you and there is a real possibility that a mistake has been made. It may not be a serious one but it could affect you in some way, so check other people's work.

II Gemini May 22 - June 21

There is one particular thing that needs your full and undivided attention today. You know what it is and you know you will have to focus hard if you are going to succeed. Don't let anything distract you.

9 Cancer June 22 - July 23

Honesty is essential, even if it means that a long-standing friendship is put to the test. You may be tempted to avoid the truth to spare someone's feelings but in the long-term it will do more harm than good.

Ω Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23 Someone needs to keep a clear head today and that someone has to be you. Others may get emotional but you must insist on common sense all the way down the line, for their sake as well as your own.

W Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

There are so many changes going on that you probably can't keep track of them all. Don't worry. Most of them will work in your favour. One warning though: Don't make promises you may not be able to keep.

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Certain duties may be a pain but you know they have to be done. Even with its petty annovances this could be a positive time for you. Show people that you can be trusted to work on your own.

M Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Something you had a hard time getting your head around yesterday will be as clear as crystal today. No doubt you will mentally kick yourself for being so dense but don't worry about it. You're allowed an off day now and again.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

The first step in resolving a problem is to admit that it exists, so stop making excuses and face the reality of your present situation. The moment you do that is the moment the answers start coming.

17 Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Something is worrying you but you can't put your finger on what it might be. Whatever it is the planets suggest it's not worth the effort, so focus on more pleasant thoughts. Don't let worry become a habit.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

A new path is beckoning and all you have to do is put one foot in front of the other and start walking. Just do it, otherwise you'll find all sorts of reasons to stay where you are.

H Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

If you have an important decision to make today, you must take your time and get it right. If people press you to decide right away you can bet there is more in it for them than there is for you. SALLY BROMPTON

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- 19. This year's Oscars host, Seth __
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- 67. Fire or Army
- 69. Chair

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- 40. Help

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- 48. Those up for Oscars

- 64. Mrs. Lincoln's maiden name

1. Bit of matter

- 21. Actor Jared

- hero...'
- 38. "Sexy __" by The Beatles
- 41. Daytime's DeGeneres 44. "A Beautiful __" (2001) 45. "Behold!" to Brutus

- 53. Squabble
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- 9. "Skedaddle!"
- 12. Modern (London, England
- 13. French painter Edouard

- 23. Actor Mr. Hawke
- 30. Elegant instrument
- 31. Get ___ deal 32. "Ghostbusters" (1984) charac-

- 46. Radar signal
- 50. Speedy 52. Texter's "Are you serious?!"
- 55. Item on Wolfgang Puck's
- 61. Actress Ms. Russo
- food query) 68. Cable sports channel 14. Pre red carpet appointment, whitening

- - 24. Harrison Ford role, Solo 25. Fully satisfy

68

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- 26. __ Mountains (Range in Russia) 27. "Canadian Man" country
- singer: 2 wds.
- 28. Old Irish alphabet [var. sp.] 29. Sculptor of The Thinker
- 33. El __ (Warm ocean current) 35. Board game pieces 36. Lemony drinks
- 39. Alberta city 42. Joyful 43. __-and-tuck 45. Search __ (Google, and others)

47. Basketball court maneuver

49. Pixie

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- 51. Bell Biv __ (Music group) 53. Title for a Miss, in Spanish
- [abbr.] 54. Hireling

expensive)

- 56. Mil. titles _ off!" (It's too 57. "What
- 58. No-fly, for one 59. Catherine __-Jones 60. Frequently: 2 wds.

20. Irish airline, __ Lingus

9. Environmental activism group

Stung" by Elvis Presley

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